

2019 Criminal Justice Review & Domestic Violence Disposition Analysis



2019 Criminal Justice

MAJOR TRENDS

2019 Crime Trends – Overall

Overall crime is likely up in 2019 relative to the first 11 months of 2018. This is largely driven by an increase in property crime – specifically vehicle burglaries.

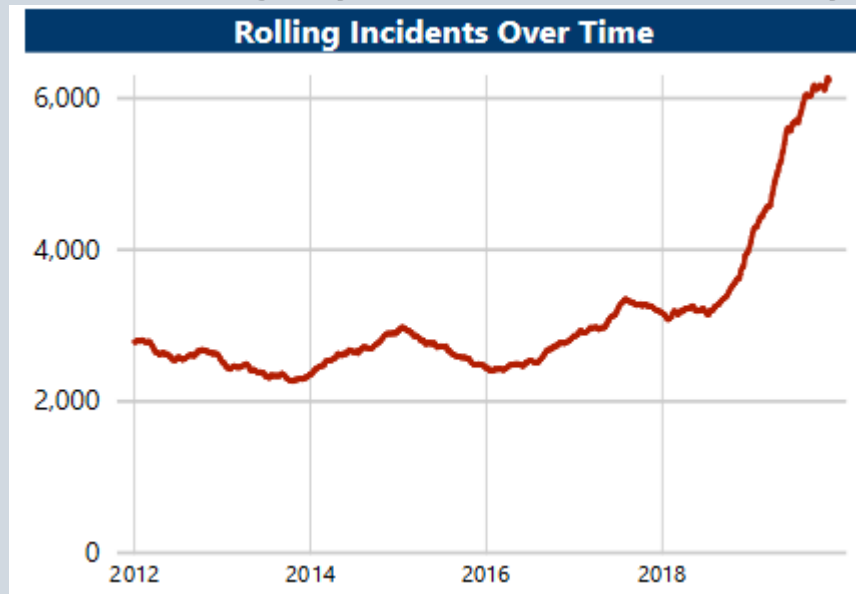
- Note: The crime figures presented in this report are Calls for Service incidents which approximate NOPD's formal crime statistics which will likely be released in early 2020.

Year	Overall	Person	Property
2019	20,818	2,871	17,947
2018	18,126	3,102	15,024
% Change	+14.9%	-7.4%	+19.5%

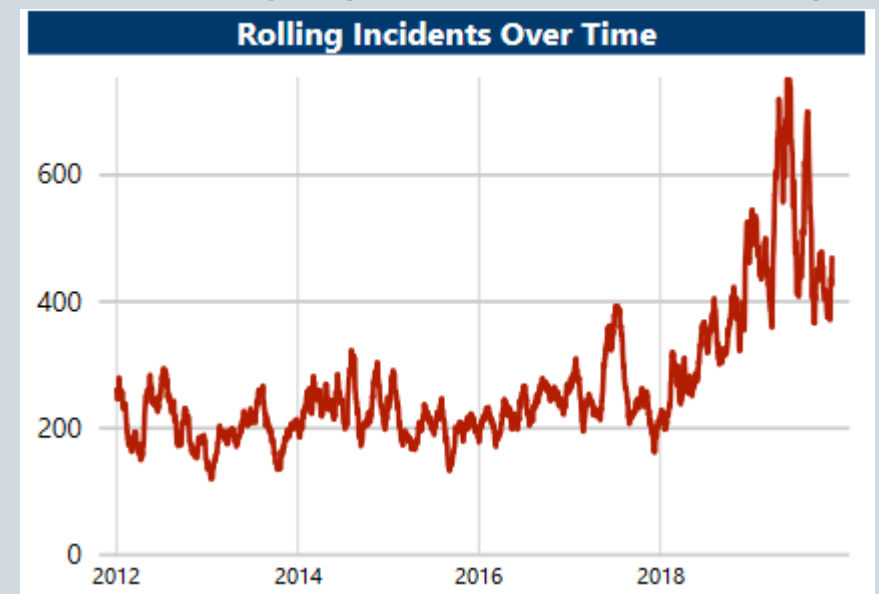
2019 Crime Trends – Vehicle Burglaries

Vehicle burglary incidents are up 63 percent though the rate of increase has slowed considerably since the summer.

Vehicle burglary incidents over 365 days.



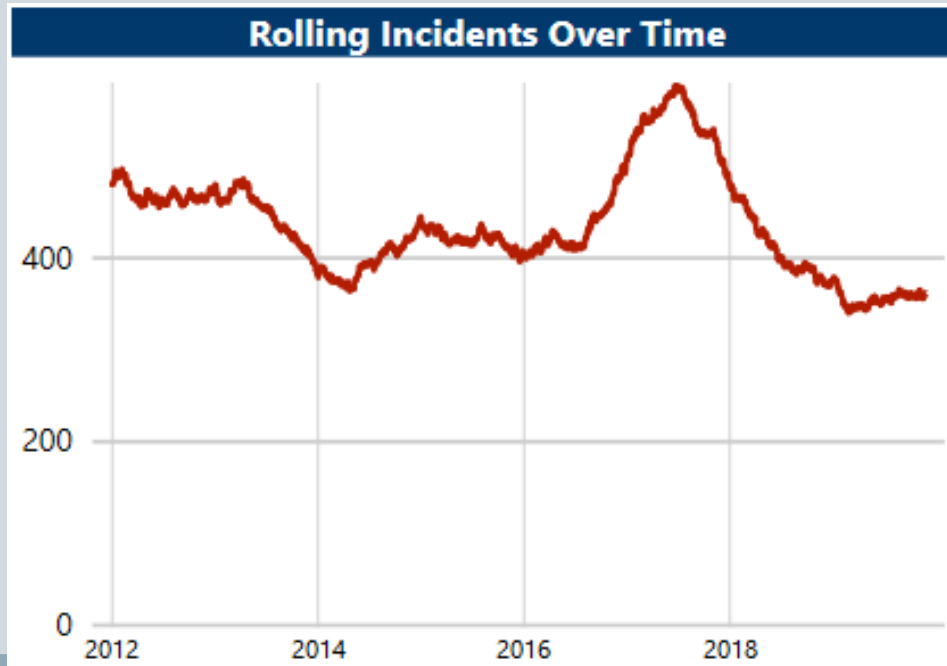
Vehicle burglary incidents over 30 days.



2019 Crime Trends - Murder & Shootings

Murder will almost certainly fall significantly in 2019 to levels not seen since 1970. Murder is down over 20 percent relative to 2018 though all shooting incidents are virtually even (332 vs 331).

Fatal & non-fatal shooting incidents over 365 days.



Year	Homicide Incident (Firearm)	Homicide Incident (Non-Firearm)	Non-Fatal Shooting
2019	96	9	236
2018	111	13	220
% Change	-13.5%	-30.8%	7.3%

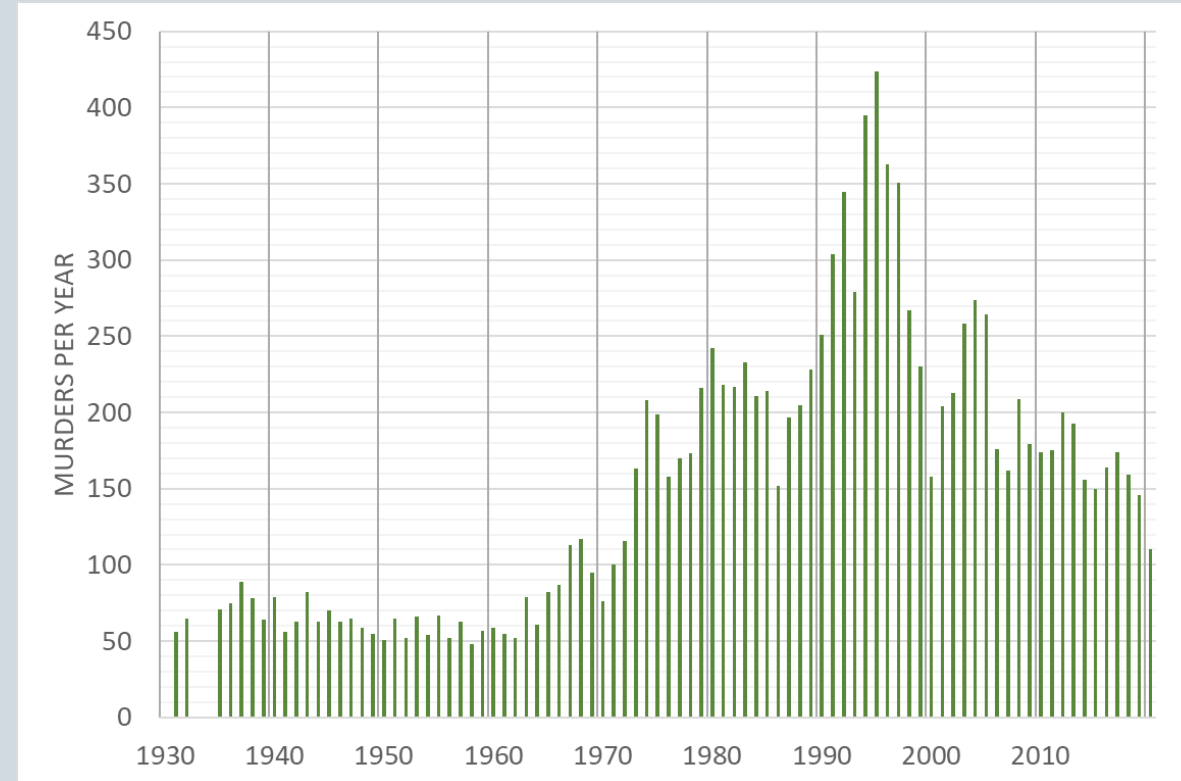
Placing 2019's Murder Count in Historical Context

With 110 murders in 2019:

- Fewest since 1970 (100).
- Lowest rate since 1975 (27.5)
- Potentially lowest rank since 1985 (8th).
- Out of top 5 for first time since 1986.

City	Murders (2018)	Rate
St. Louis	187	60.9
Baltimore	309	51.0
Detroit	261	38.9
New Orleans (2018)	147	37.1
Memphis	186	28.5
Kansas City	137	27.78
New Orleans (2019 - Estimated)	110	27.75
Newark	75	26.6
Washington	160	22.8
Cleveland	86	22.4

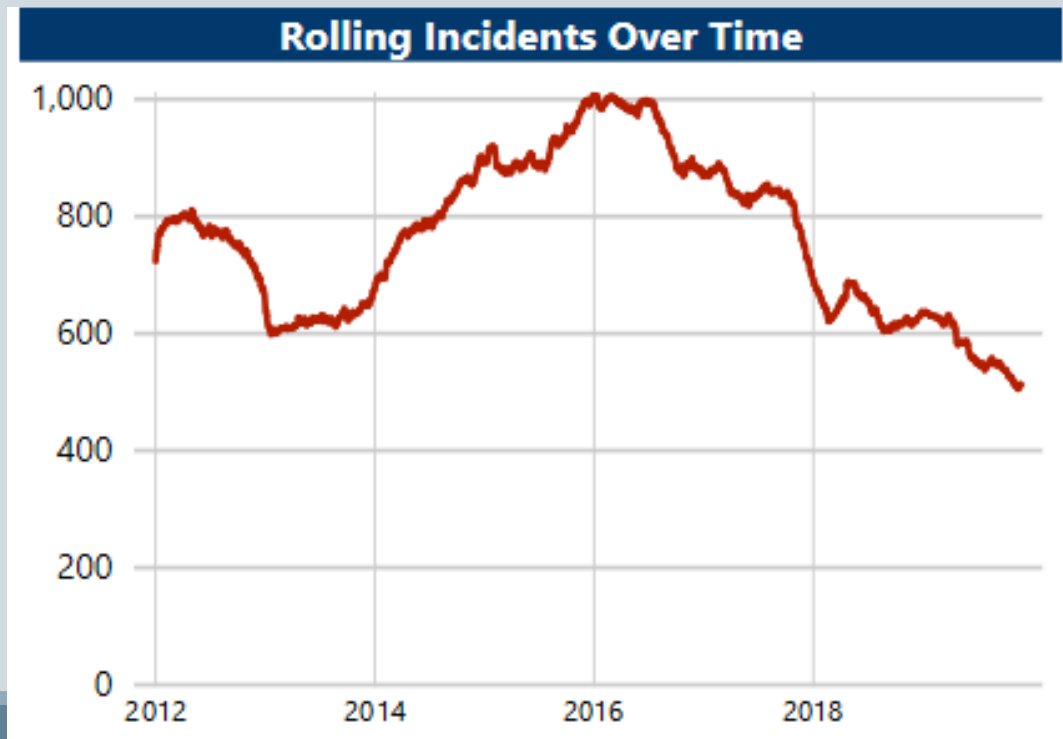
New Orleans Murders, 1931 - 2019 (Projected)



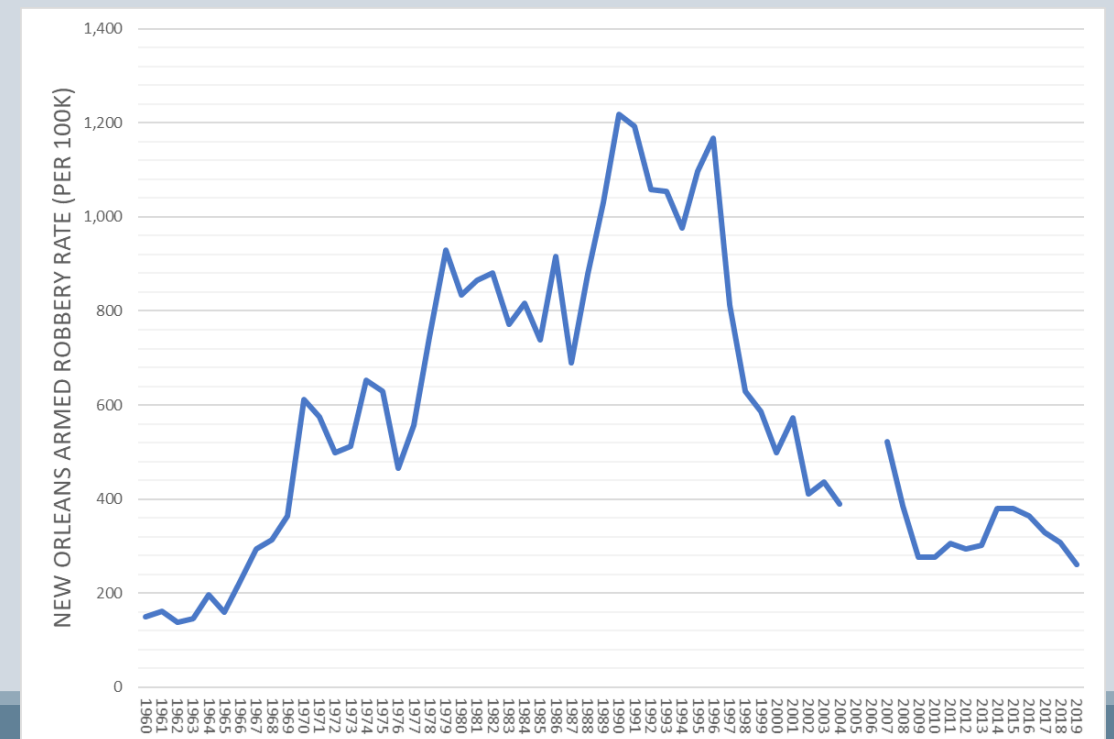
2019 Crime Trends – Armed Robberies

Armed robberies & carjackings will likely fall for the 4th straight year. The current pace of roughly a 15 percent drop in robberies – if realized -- would put the rate of robberies in New Orleans at the lowest since 1966.

Armed robbery incidents over 365 days



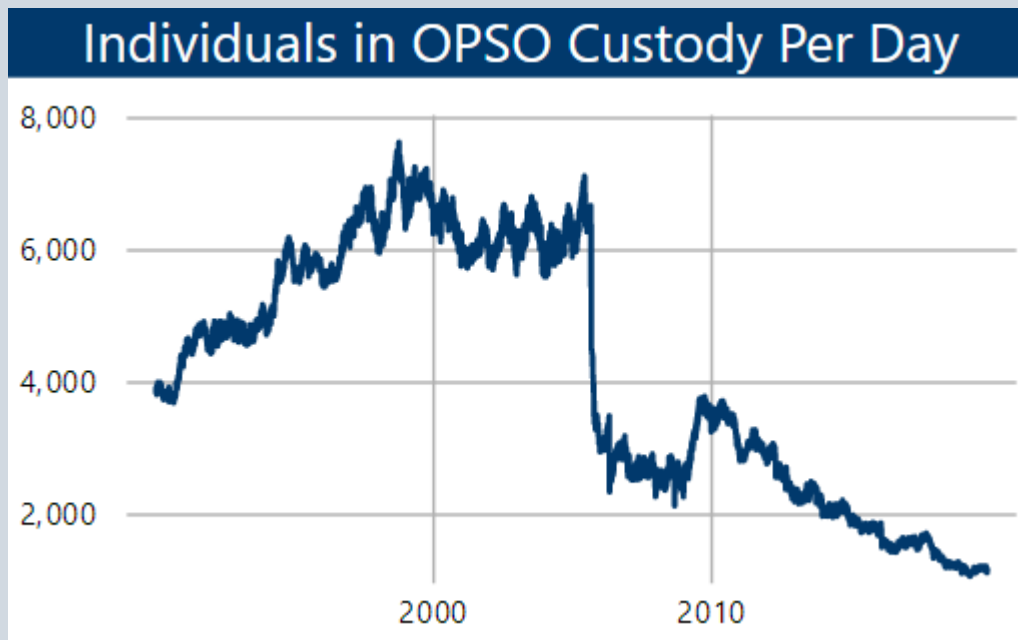
New Orleans Robberies Per 100K, 1960 - 2019 (Projected)



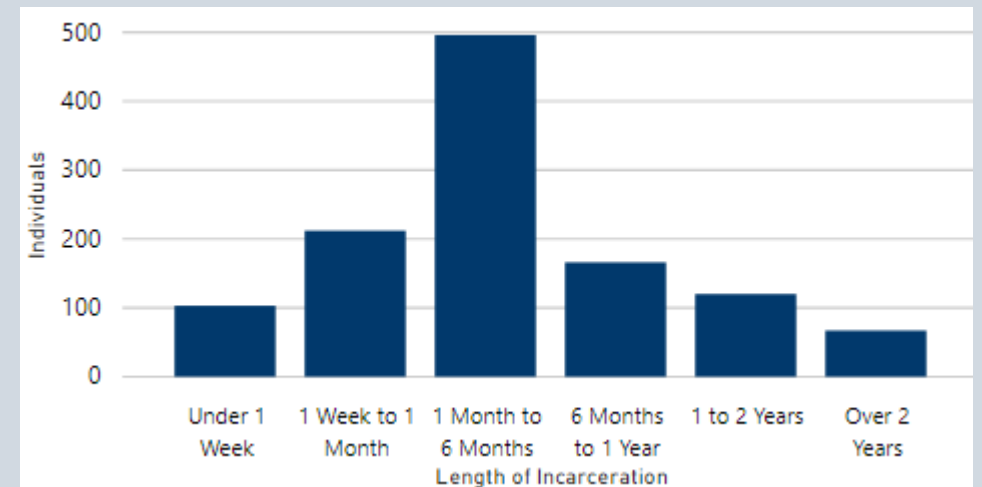
2019 Incarceration Trend

There were 1,067 people incarcerated by OPSO in April 2019, the lowest figure since the 1970s. The number of people incarcerated has increased since then, bouncing between 1,100 and 1,200 for most of 2019. There are currently 48 people currently incarcerated with a bail set under \$10,000 and 30 people with under \$5,000 bail and no other potential explanation for being held (warrant, hold, probation/parole violation).

Individuals in OPSO custody, 1990 - 2019



Average length of incarceration for current OPSO custody population



2019 Incarceration Trend - Continued

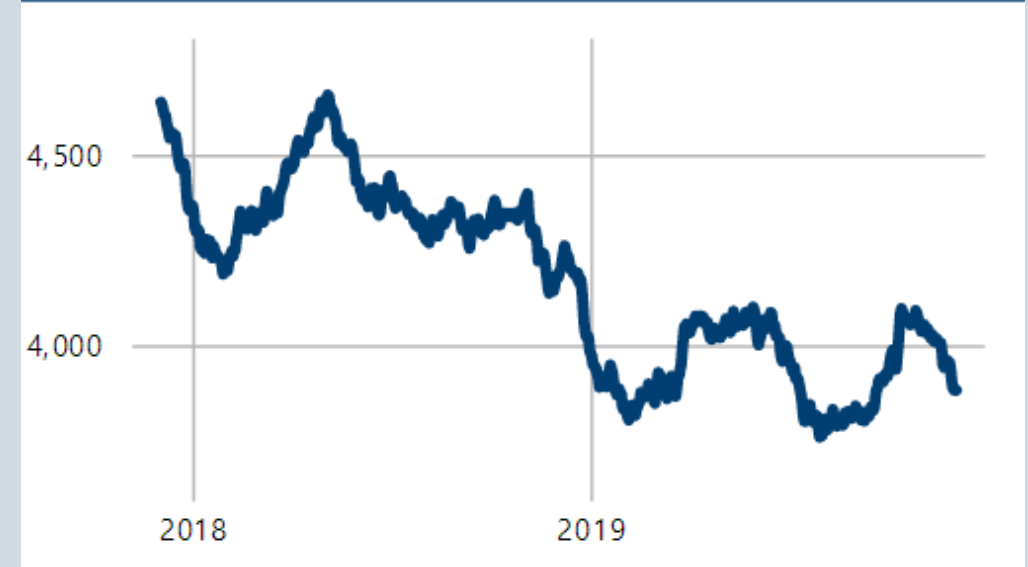
Average bond paid over 90 days, December 2015 - December 2019 Individuals arrested over 90 days, December 2018 - December 2019

Average Bond Paid Over Time

Charge Type: ● Felony ● Misdemeanor

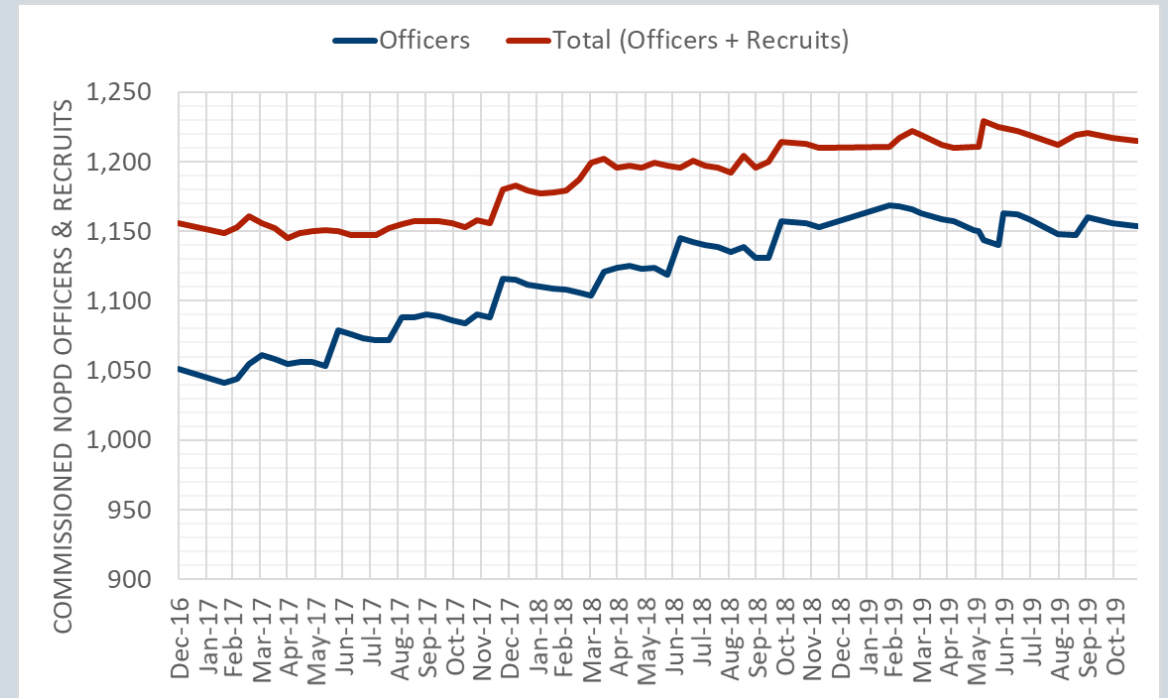
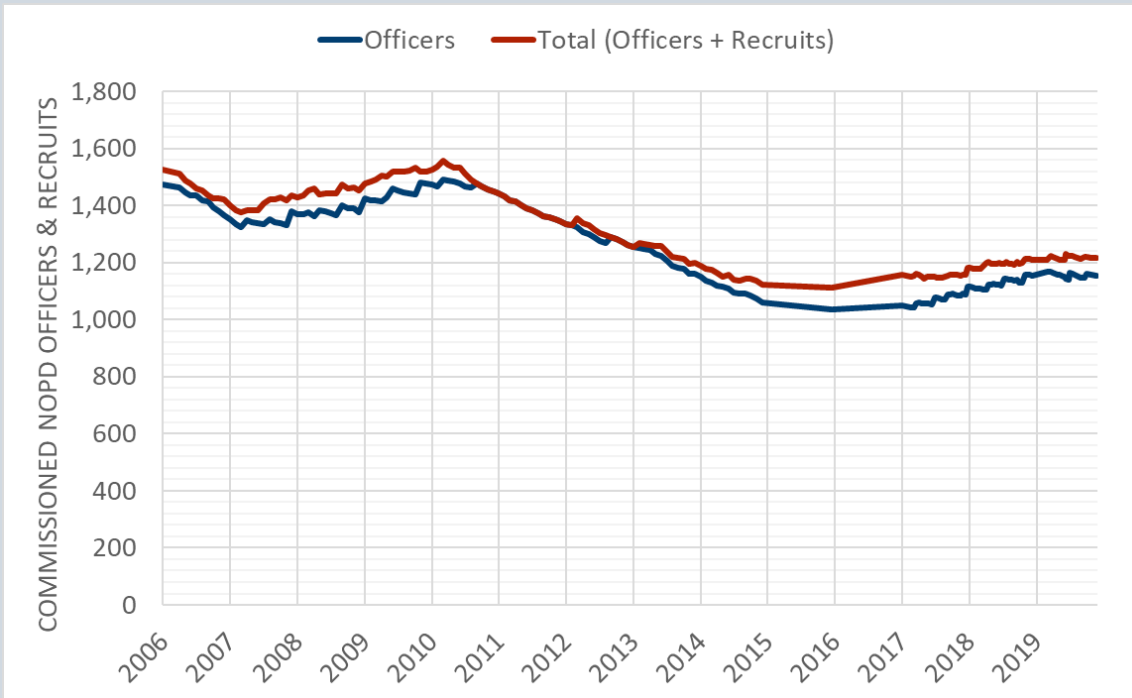


Individuals Arrested Over Time



NOPD Commissioned Officers Over Time

NOPD grew by roughly 100 officers from early 2017 to mid 2018. The department has not grown in the last year and a half though.



Public Safety Analyst – Review & Look Ahead

Active Dashboards on the Criminal Justice Committee Website

Crime
Bond Paid
Consent Decree
Jail Snapshot
Traffic Camera Citation

Pending Dashboards:

Public Safety
Racial Disparity
Domestic Violence



Upcoming Analyses

Release on Recognizance – An assessment of RORs and how they impact failures to appear and case outcomes. **(January 2020)**

“Million Dollar Block” – An evaluation of incarceration of New Orleans at the block level to show the geography of incarceration and how it has changed over the last decade. **(Spring 2020)**

Domestic Violence Dispositions

Domestic Violence Misdemeanor Dispositions – Municipal Court

Disposition	Cases	% of Total	% of Total w/Disposition
Nolle Prosequi	2,686	83.3%	90.7%
Nolle Prosequi or Amended	2,763	85.7%	93.3%
Guilty	196	6.1%	6.6%
Not Guilty	4	0.1%	0.1%
No Final Disposition Available	262	8.1%	N/A

3,225 misdemeanor domestic abuse cases tried in Municipal Court with a violation date between 1/1/2018 and 11/20/2019 for:

35.3 – Domestic Abuse Battery

34.9 – Battery Upon Dating Partner

79 – Violation Of Protective Orders

35.3(I) – Domestic Abuse Child Endangerment Law

35.3(K) – Domestic Abuse Battery-Victim Pregnant

Domestic Violence Misdemeanor Dispositions – Criminal Court

Disposition	Cases	% of Total
Pled Guilty Same Charge	42	53%
Nolle Prosequi	19	24%
Pled Guilty Combination	8	10%
Pled Guilty Different Charge	7	9%
Other	4	5%

80 misdemeanor domestic abuse cases with a final disposition tried in Criminal Court with an arrest in 2018 & 2019 for:

- 35.3 – Domestic Abuse Battery
- 34.9 – Battery Upon Dating Partner
- 35.3(I) – Domestic Abuse Child Endangerment Law
- 35.3(K) – Domestic Abuse Battery-Victim Pregnant

Domestic Violence Misdemeanor Dispositions – Criminal Court

Dispositions in Criminal Court in misdemeanor domestic violence cases are largely unchanged relative to previous years.

Disposition	Cases	% of Total
Pled Guilty Same Charge	162	49%
Nolle Prosequi	101	30%
Pled Guilty Different Charge	56	17%
Other	13	4%

332 misdemeanor domestic abuse cases with a final disposition from 2014 to 2017 tried in Criminal Court for:

- 35.3 – Domestic Abuse Battery
- 34.9 – Battery Upon Dating Partner
- 35.3(I) – Domestic Abuse Child Endangerment Law
- 35.3(K) – Domestic Abuse Battery-Victim Pregnant

Domestic Violence Involving Strangulation Dispositions

Disposition	Number	% of Total
Pled Guilty - Different Charge	135	48%
Pled Guilty - Same Charge	84	30%
Nolle Prosequi	55	20%
Other	8	2%

282 cases since 2018 with a final disposition in Criminal Court as of 11/22/2019 for:

35.3(L) - Domestic Abuse Battery Involving Strangulation

34.9(K) - Battery on Dating Partner with Strangulation

35.3(L)(1) - Domestic Abuse Battery Involving Strangulation-Pregnancy

Largely tracks with case outcomes for all domestic violence offenses with a final disposition.